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ACTION DLOS-07

INFO OCT-01 ARA-16 NEA-14 ISO-00 CG-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01

PRS-01 SP-03 SS-20 USIA-15 CIEP-02 ACDA-19 AEC-11

AGR-20 DOTE-00 FMC-04 INT-08 JUSE-00 OMB-01 DRC-01

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TAGS: PLOS, IS

SUBJECT: LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE

1. HAARETZ WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT DAN MARGALIT IN STORY CARRIED HERE JULY 10 REPORTED THAT LOS CONF HAS REVEALED DIFFERENCES OF VIEWS BETWEEN US AND ISRAEL ON RIGHTS OF NAVIGATION THROUGH TERRITORIAL STRAITS. MARGALIT STATES ISRAEL FAVORS ABSOLUTE RIGHTS OF PASSAGE THROUGH ALL STRAITS, WHILE US DIFFERENTIATES BETWEEN STRAITS CONNECTING OPEN SEAS AND THOSE CONNECTING OPEN SEA WITH AN INLAND SEA, SUCH AS STRAITS OF TIRAN. FOR ISRAEL THIS DIFFERENTIATION WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE AS, ACCORDING TO HAARETZ STORY, IT WOULD ENABLE EGYPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO BAR ISRAELI SEA TRAFFIC TO EILAT ON GROUNDS THAT SHIPS WERE CARRYING WARLIKE CARGO.

2. WHILE WE ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH COMPLEXITIES OF ISSUES,  
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OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT US DRAFT ARTICLE DOES NOT DIFFERENTIATE

BETWEEN RIGHTS OF NAVIGATION THROUGH STRAITS CONNECTING HIGH SEAS  
AND THROUGH STRAITS CONNECTING TERRITORIAL SEAS OF A FOREIGN  
STATE.

3. IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF THIS ISSUE TO ISRAEL, IT WOULD  
BE USEFUL IF WE HAD CLARIFICATION OF US POSITION, AND  
DIFFERENCES, IF ANY, WITH ISRAELI POSITION.  
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